Indians killed in racial violence

†*100. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that many Indians had been killed in the racial violence which took place in Kranskop and some other cities of South Africa in last few days;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the people of Indian community in some cities of South Africa have been asked to leave South Africa by winding up their business;

(c) if so, whether Government has taken up this matter with the Government of South Africa; and

(d) if so, the outcomes thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) Government are not aware of any racial violence in Kranskop or some other cities of South Africa in the last few days. However, incidents targeting foreigners did take place in May 2008. One person of Indian origin was killed and his house burnt at that time.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Rajasthan atomic power project, Rawatbhata

†620.SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production has been stopped in first and second units of Rajasthan Atomic Power Project, Rawatbhata;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) by when the production is likely to start;

(d) total production done in comparison to the production capacity of these two units during last three years and how less electricity Rajasthan got against its prescribed quantum due to this shortage in production;

(e) steps being taken to compensate this loss to Rajasthan; and

(f) whether there is any system under consideration to provide power of Rajasthan's quota from third and fourth units on the same conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) to c) The first unit of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS-1) started commercial operation in the year 1973 and had completed 31 years of operation in 2004 when it was shut down for techno-economic evaluation on continuation of its operation. The second unit, RAPS-2 was shut down

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